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Ex-CIA Agent Settles for \$2,500

NEW YORK — Frank Sturgis, one of five men involved in the 1972 Watergate break-in at the Democratic Party's Washington headquarters, accepted a \$2,500 settlement in a \$15 million wrongful-arrest suit.

Sturgis, 56, filed the suit in U.S. District Court after his arrest Oct. 31, 1977, when he arrived at the Manhattan apartment of Marita Lorenz.

In a jury trial which began Monday, two city detectives testified they arrested Sturgis after Lorenz told them he was coming to her apartment to prevent her from testifying before a U.S. Senate panel probing the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Sturgis, a former CIA agent, testified he recruited Lorenz to work for the CIA in 1959 while she was living in Cuba.

Sturgis, a Miami resident, said that although he had lost contact with Lorenz for 15 years, he flew to New York because she telephoned and asked his help in dealing with threats of harm.